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SUBJ: CARDINAL SAYS CHURCH DOES NOT OPPOSE GOC

REF: SANTIAGO 3231

1. LAST WEEKEND PRESS CARRIED TEXT OF RAUL CARDINAL SILVA LETTER TO "TIME" MAGAZINE PURPORTING TO TAKE ISSUE WITH STATEMENT IN JUNE 16 NUMBER THAT CATHOLIC CHURCH HAS TAKEN OPPOSITION STANCE TO GOC. CARDINAL SAID THAT "CHILEAN CATHOLIC CHURCH NEITHER IS, NOR DOES IT ACT, IN OPPOSITION TO THE GOVERNMENT OF CHILE". LETTER WENT ON, HOWEVER, TO NOTE THAT CLERGYMEN HAVE MAINTAINED A CONTINUING DIALOGUE WITH GOC, CHARACTERIZED BY "MUTUAL DEFERENCE AND FRANKNESS", AND HAVE RESPECTFULLY EMPHASIZED THE CONCEPTS OF "JUSTICE AND PEACE", TO MAKE GOC AWARE OF FACTS WHICH COULD NEGATIVELY AFFECT THESE CONCEPTS IS NOTHING OTHER THAN THE MOST "LOYAL AND EFFECTIVE" FORM OF COOPERATION WITH THE GOVERNMENT, THE CARDINAL CONCLUDED.

2. COMMENT. IN LIMITED COMMENT, CARDINAL'S LETTER HAS BEEN ACCEPTED AS REFUTATION OF ENTIRE "TIME" ARTICLE, THOUGH THAT IS NOT WHAT LETTER DOES. IT CAN OBVIOUSLY BE READ IN TWO WAYS. LETTER IS IN FACT AN ACCURATE DESCRIPTION OF CARDINAL'S CURRENT ROLE OF QUIET EXPOSITION WITH GOVERNMENT.

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